

## **LE MALATTIE INFIAMMATORIE CRONICHE INTESTINALI NELL'ANZIANO**

**I nuovi farmaci biologici:  
anche nell'anziano?**

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*increasing incidence*

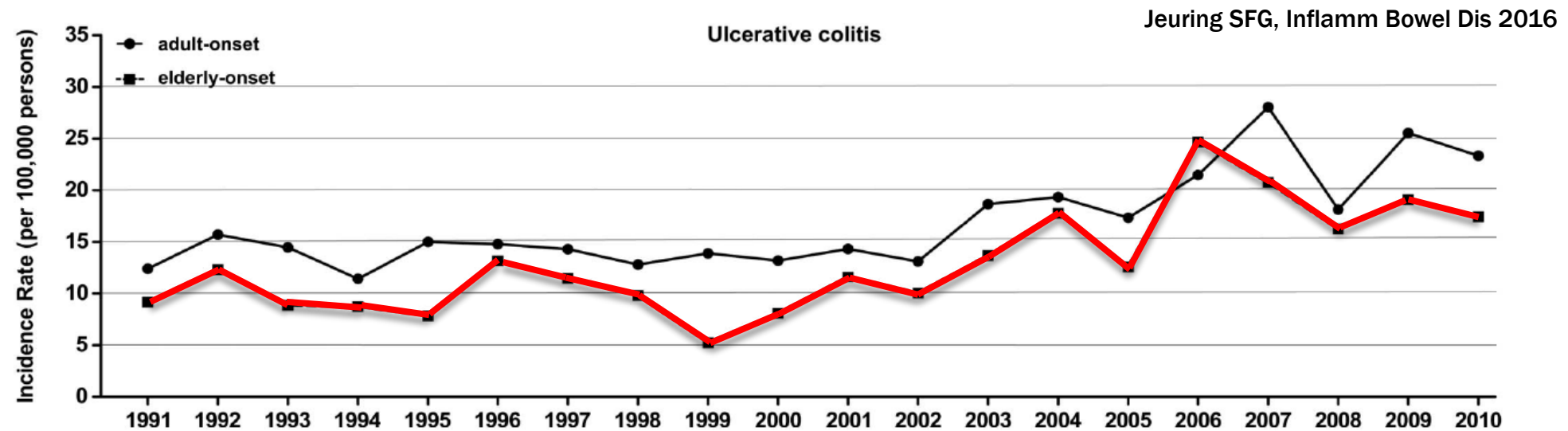
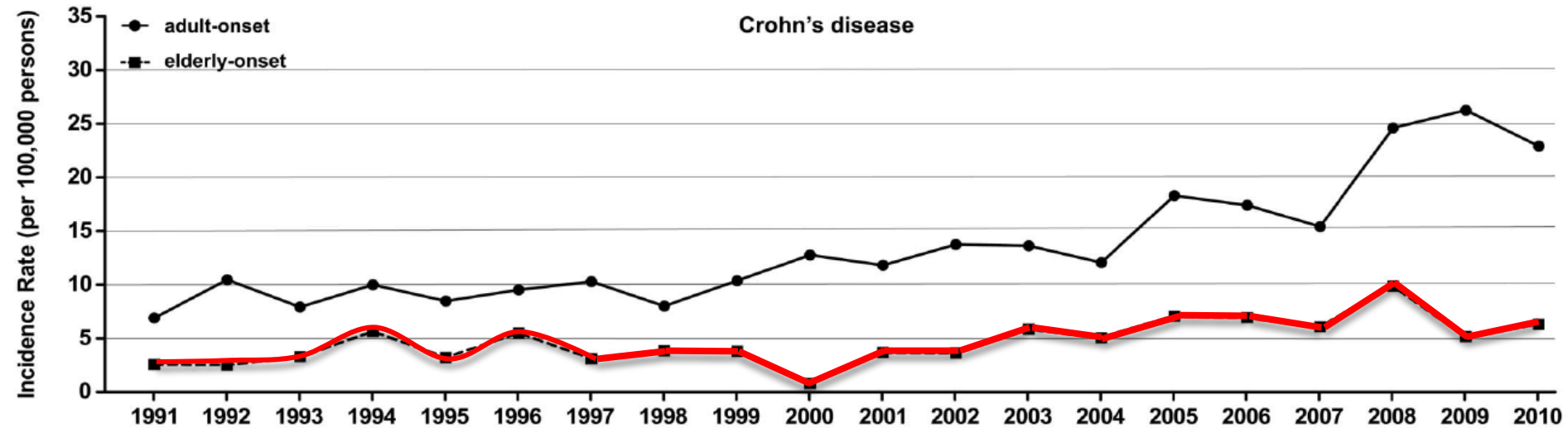
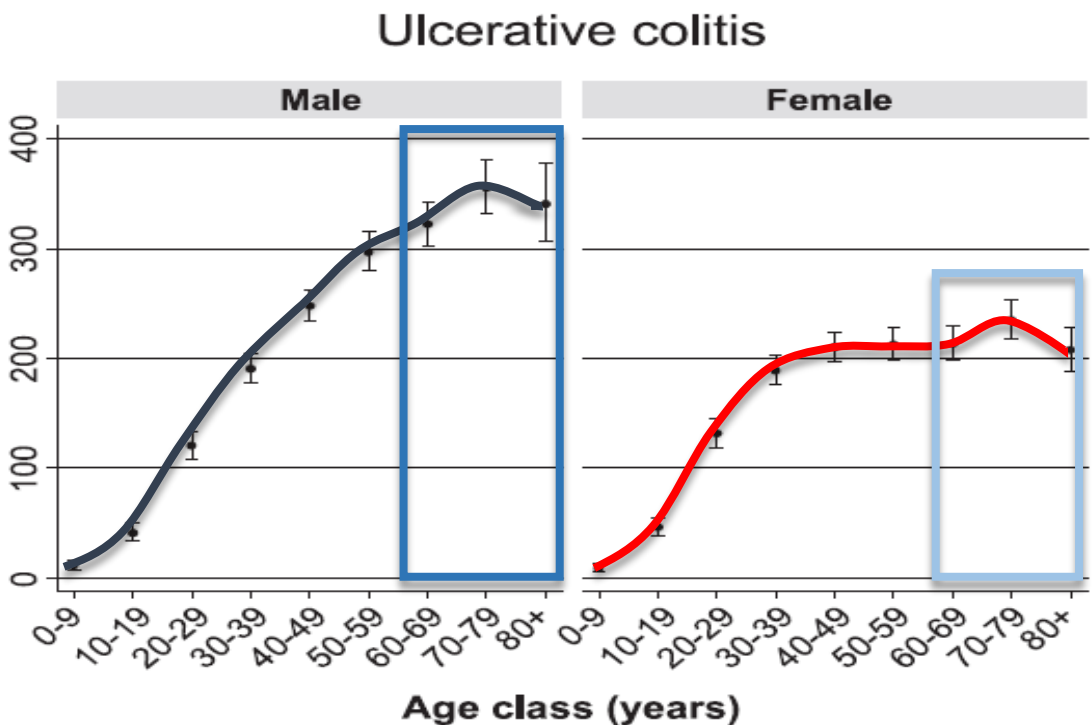
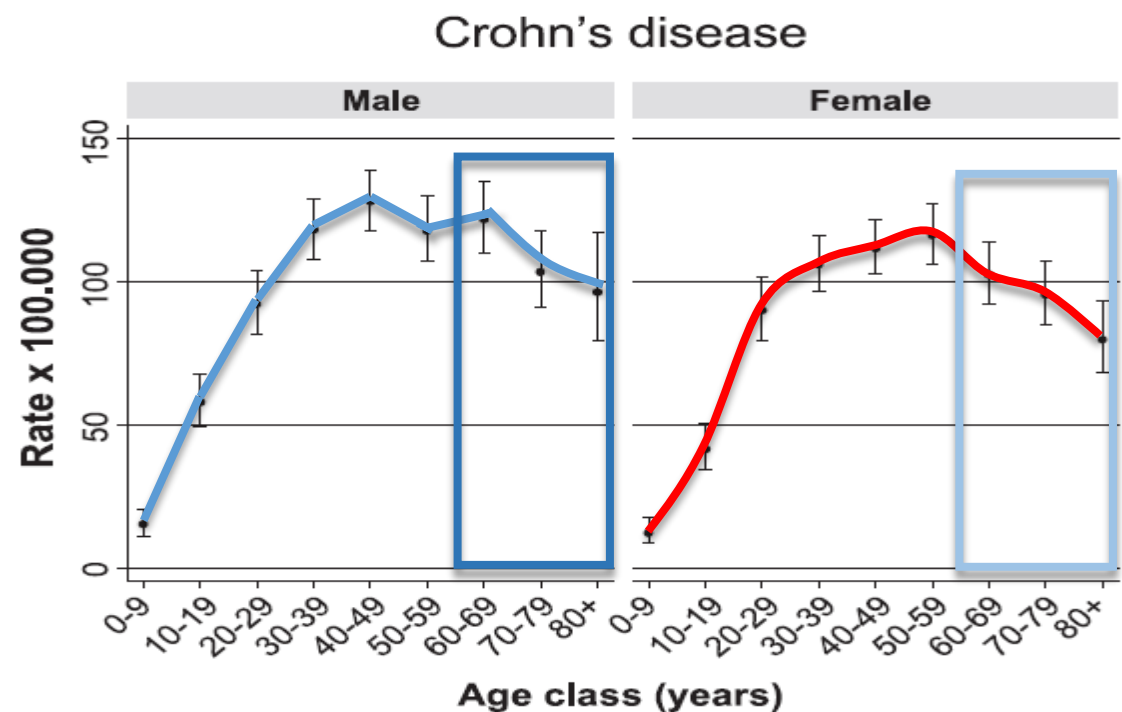


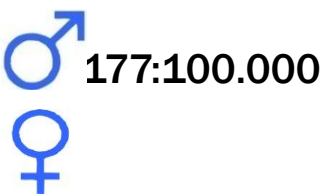
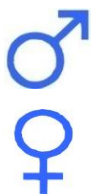
FIGURE 1. Incidence rates of AO and EO CD and UC in the South Limburg area of the Netherlands. Incidence rates were corrected for age, sex, and calendar year.

# IBD Prevalence on December 31,2009 in the Lazio region

Di Domenicantonio R et al, DLD 2014



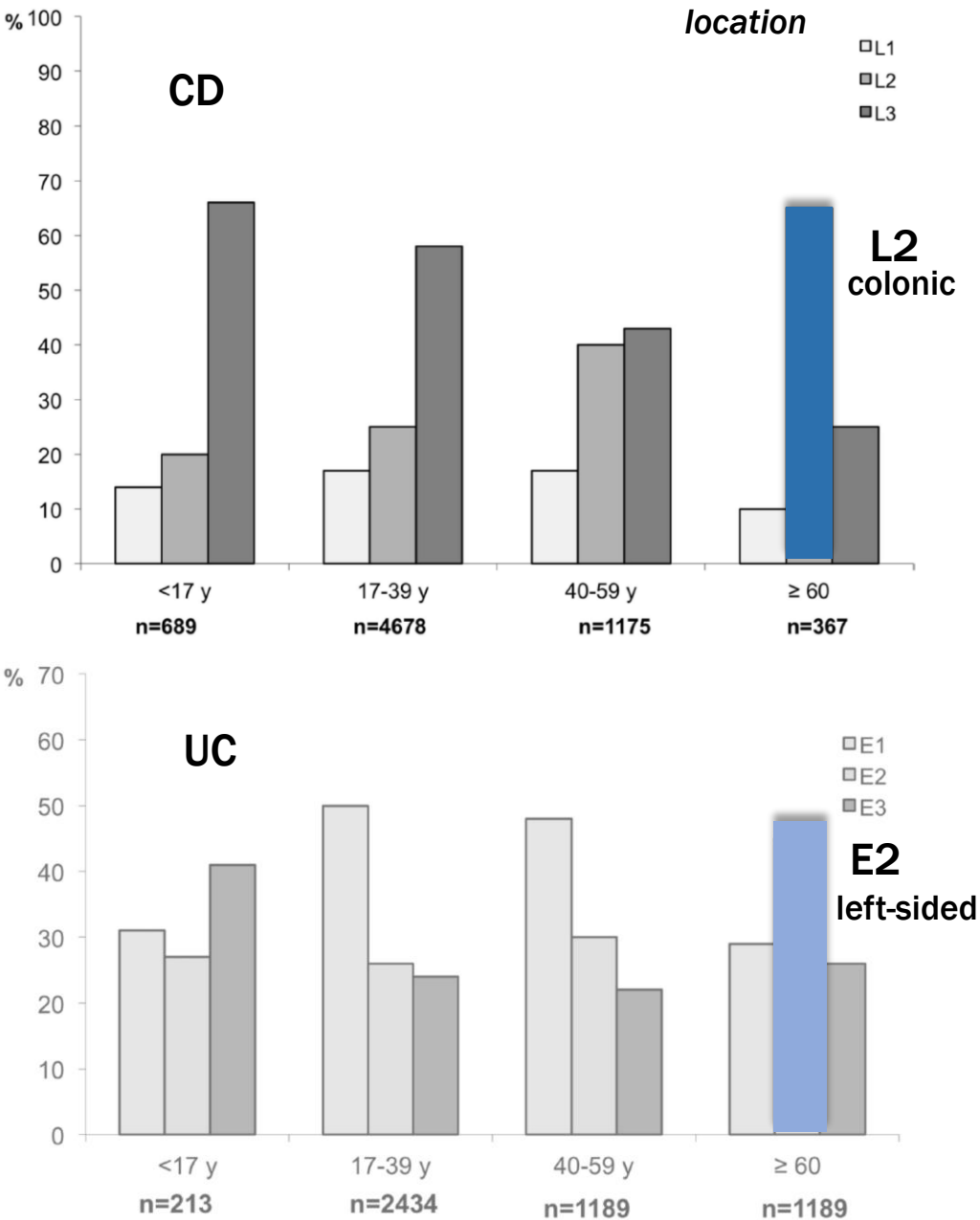
Prevalence CD 91:100.000  
81:100.000  
144:100.000



# Disease course of elderly-onset IBD

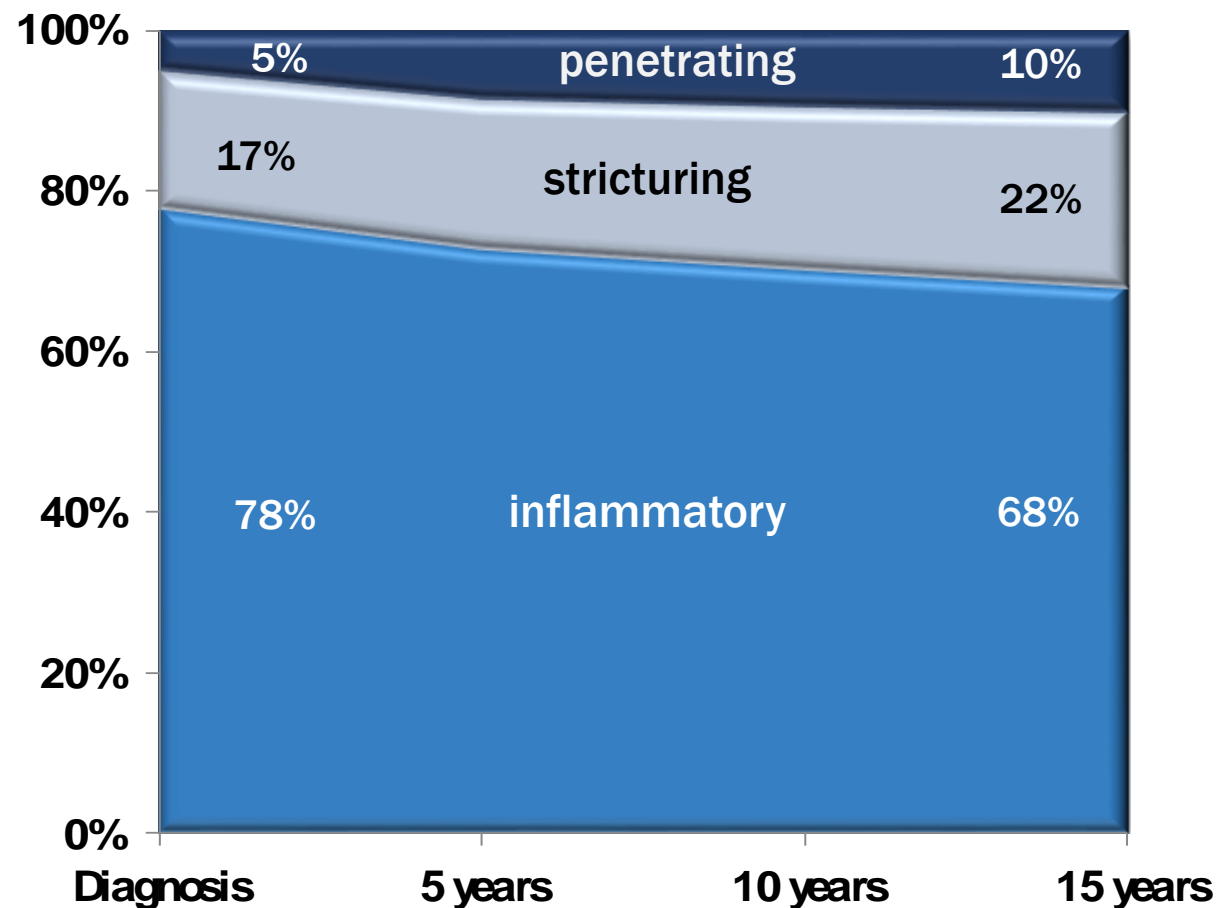
	Crohn's disease	Ulcerative colitis
location		more often left sided (E2)
symptoms	less bleeding and addominal pain	less diarrhoea, abdominal pain and weight loss
disease behaviour	mostly inflammatory	more likely stable
extraintestinal manifestations	less common	less common
cancer risk	Higher risk of NH lymphoma with thiopurine and NMSC with anti-TNF therapy	

Sturm A et al., J Crohns Colitis 2016; Taleban S et al, Dig Liver Dis 2016; Nimmonds D et al., World J Gastrointest Pharmacol Ther 2016; Butter M et al, Maturitas 2018; Everhov AH et al., Gastroenterology 2018; Ananthakrishnan AN J Crohns Colitis 2016.

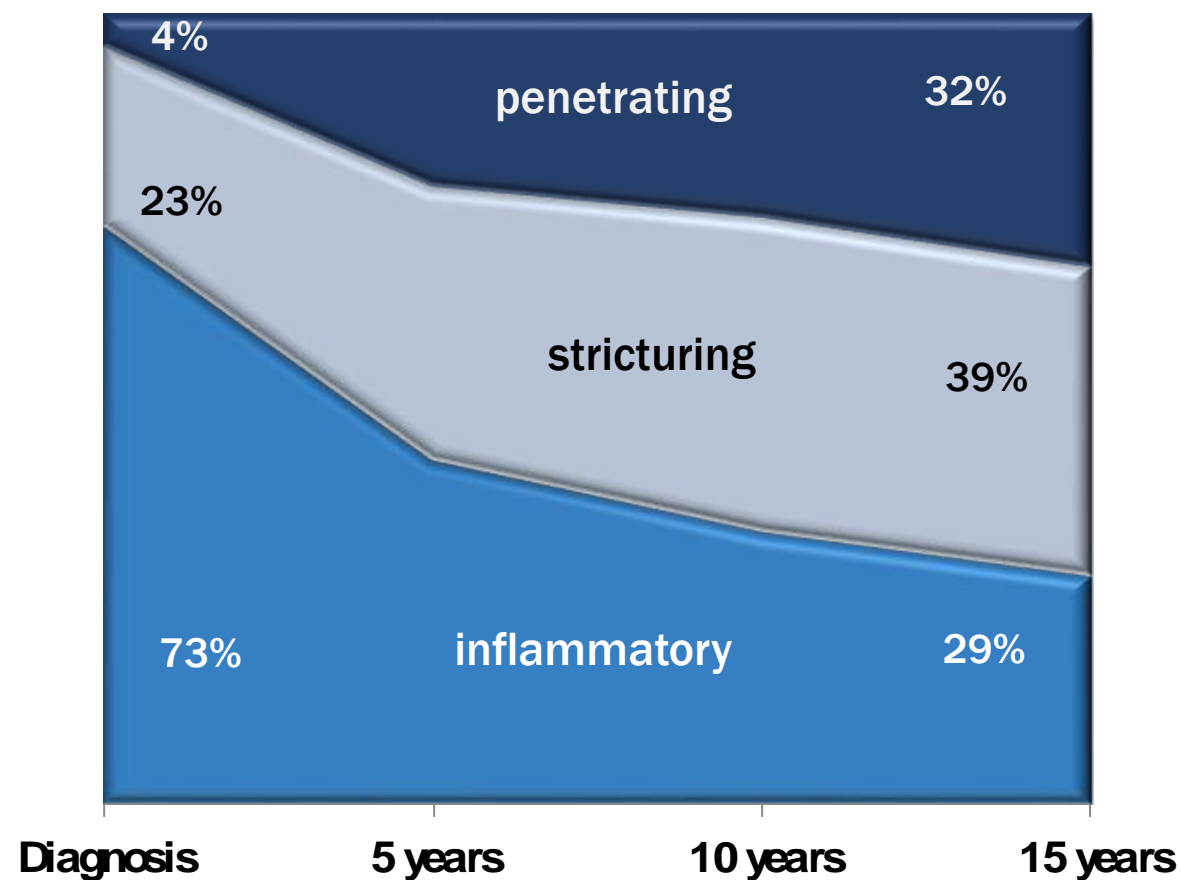


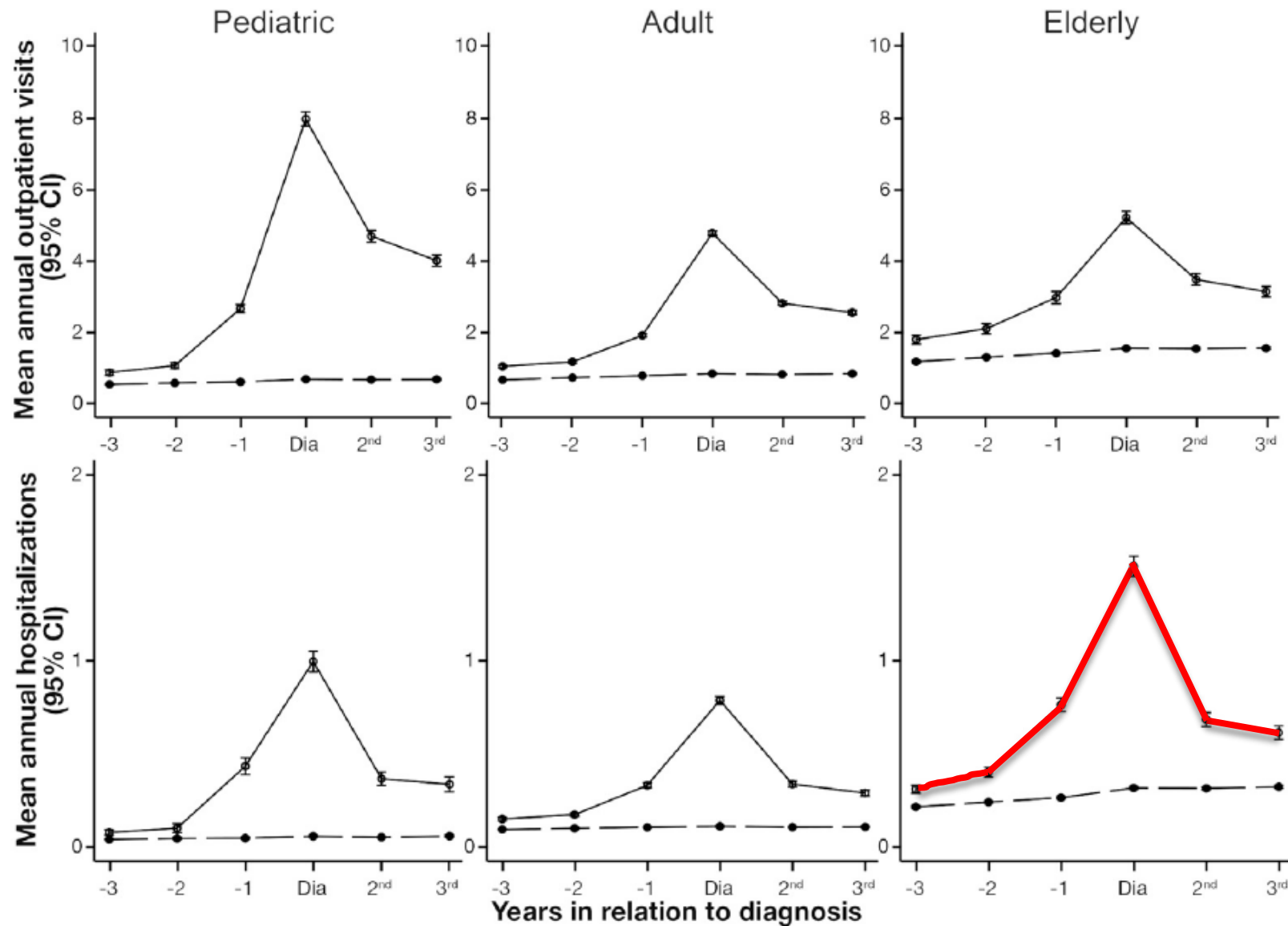
# IBD Epidemiology from a French population -based registry (EPIMAD)

**Elderly onset CD**



**Pediatric onset CD**





The risk of IBD-related hospitalization is higher in elderly UC, but not CD patients, than in younger adults.





## Conflicting data on the risk of surgery for the elderly IBD.

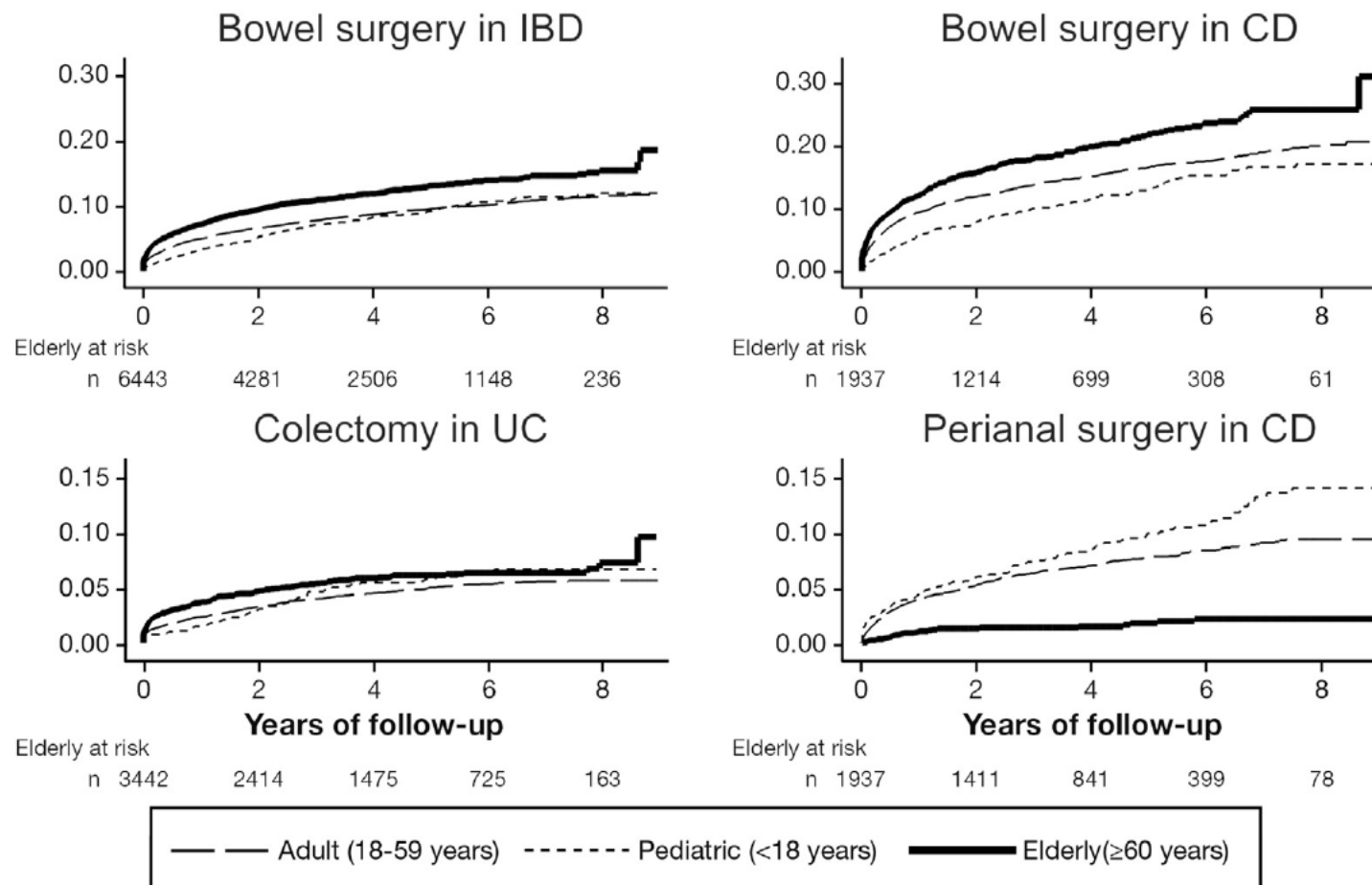
Study based on administrative data report an increased risk due to a mixed population of elderly with long standing IBD and elderly onset IBD.

Everhov AH et al., Gastroenterology 2018  
 Nguyen GC Inflamm Bowel Dis 2017

No difference in surgery risk was observed by population-based study

Jeuring FSG et al; Inflamm Bowel Dis 2016  
 Lakatos PL et al.; J Crohns Colitis 2011

*risk of surgery and outcome*



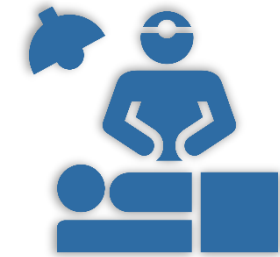
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## IBD related surgery: postsurgical mortality and complications

	Crohns		Ulcerative colitis	
	elderly	non elderly	elderly	non elderly
30-day mortality	4.2	0.3 **	6.1	0.7**
infectious complications	16.2	13.6	24.7	16**
cardiac complications	2.3	0.2**	2.6	0.3**
renal complications	2.2	0.6**	3.1	1.2**
neurologic complications	0.5	0.1*	1.0	0.2**
venous thromboembolism	3.1	1.5**	4.1	3.3

\* p<0.05 \*\* p< 0.01, \*\*\* p< 0.001

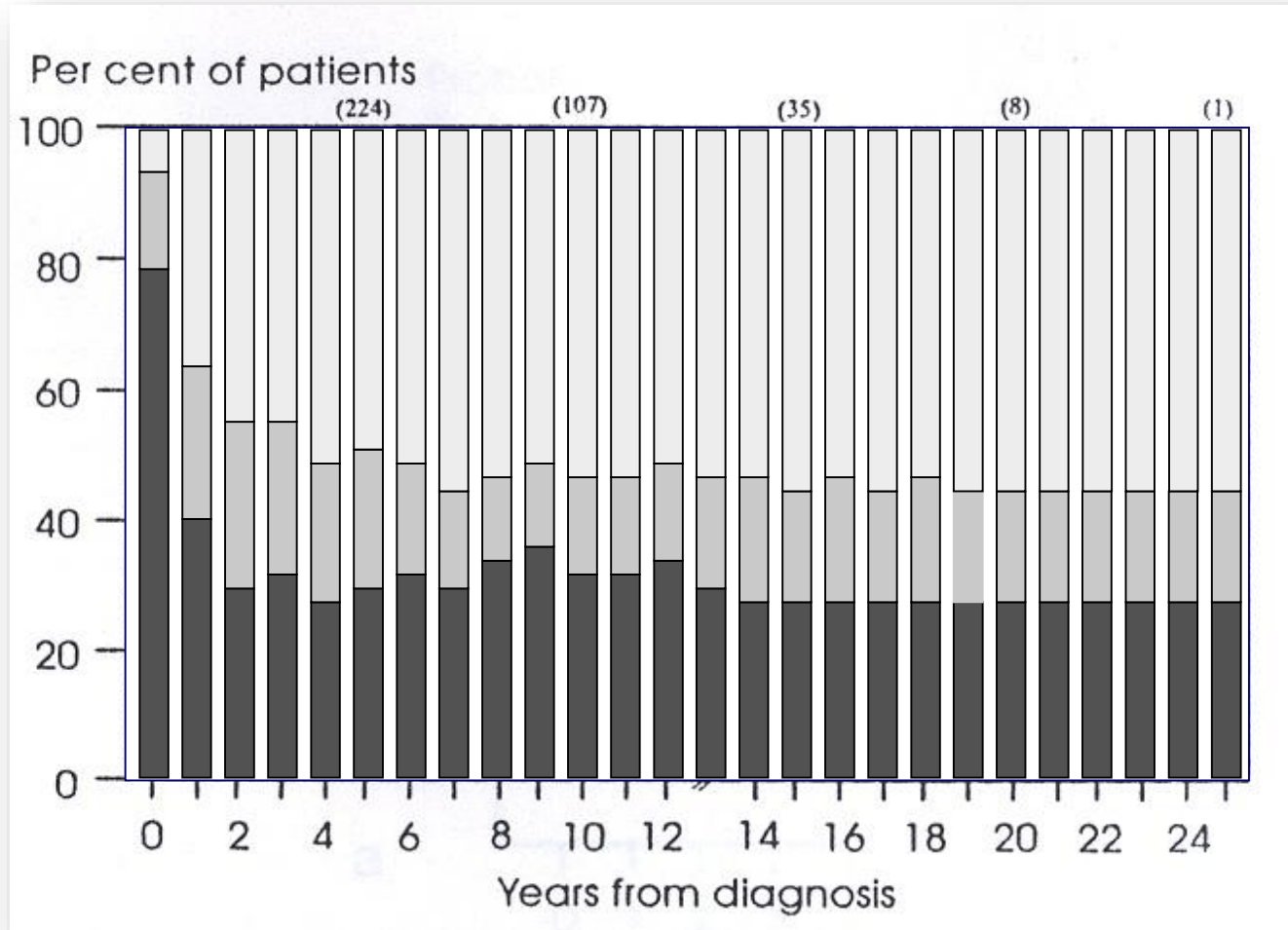
Bollegala N et al.; Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol 2015



elderly patients undergoing IBD-related bowel surgery experience a pronounced 5- to 10-fold higher 30-day mortality than younger IBD patients, as well as number of other systemic complications



## Crohn's disease: Disease activity distribution in each year from diagnosis



**55%**  
remission

**15%**  
low activity

**30%**  
high activity

### ECCO Current Practice Position 8

There is no evidence that the efficacy of medical treatment in elderly IBD patients differs from that in younger adult patients

### ECCO Current Practice Position 9

All available data indicate a higher risk of serious adverse events with prolonged use of corticosteroids in elderly patients with IBD when compared to younger adult patients

### ECCO Current Practice Position 11

Elderly IBD patients treated with TNF inhibitors for IBD have an increased risk of severe infection compared with younger patients

ECCO Topical Review

## European Crohn's and Colitis Organisation Topical Review on IBD in the Elderly

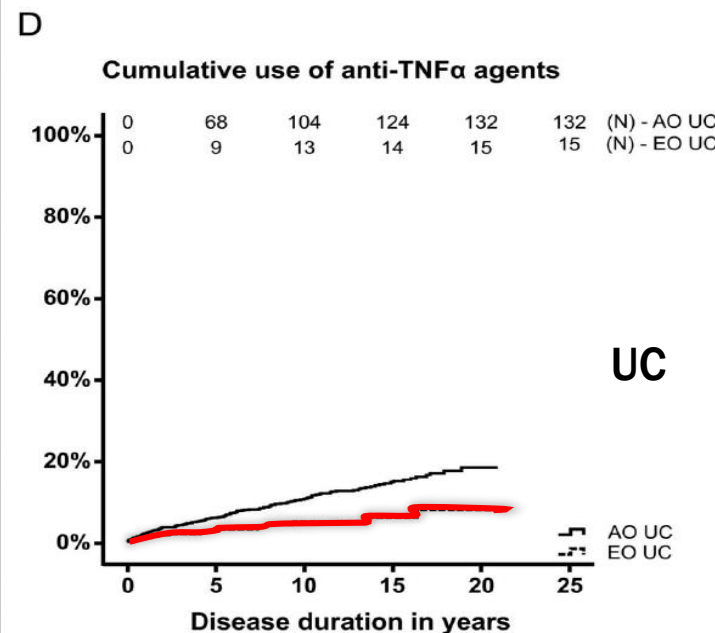
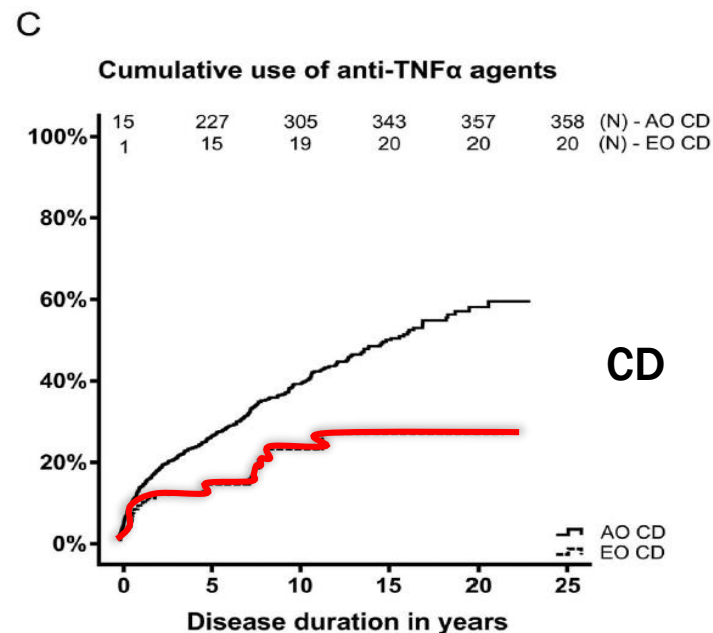
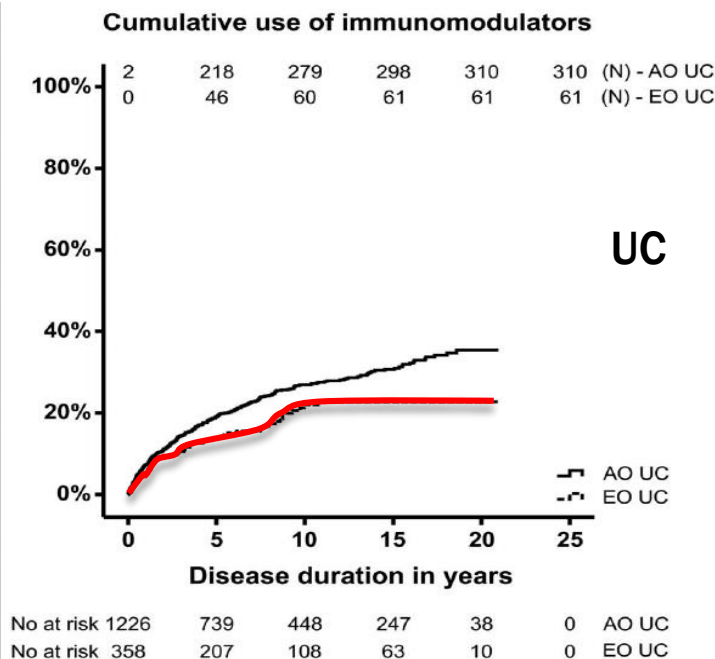
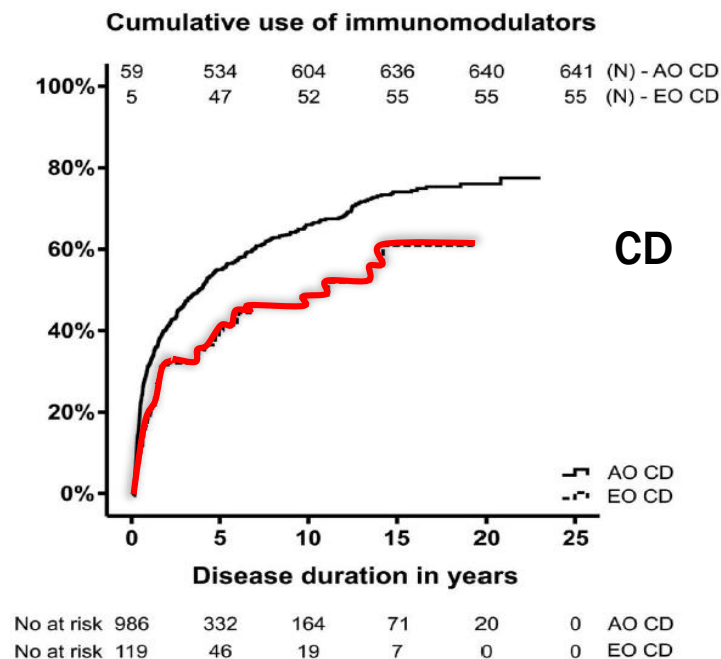
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Sturm A et al., J Crohns Colitis 2016

## ongoing treatments

The elderly are less likely to receive biological agents or IMM. This may be secondary to concerns for risks for infection and cancer; or may reflect that the elderly do have more comorbidities and polypharmacy making the use of more medications riskier.



# Advanced Age Is an Independent Risk Factor for Severe Infections and Mortality in Patients Given Anti-Tumor Necrosis Factor Therapy for Inflammatory Bowel Disease

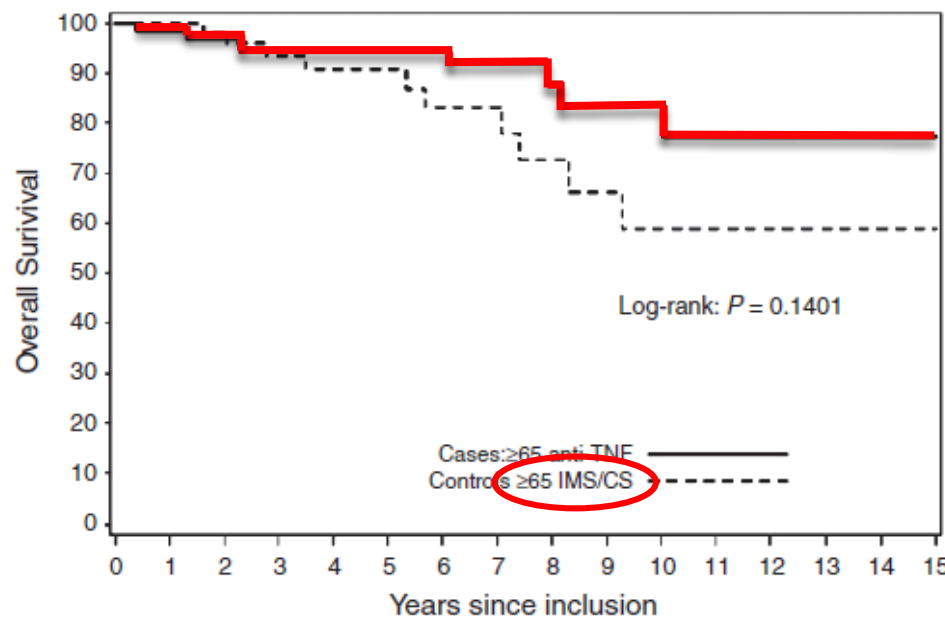
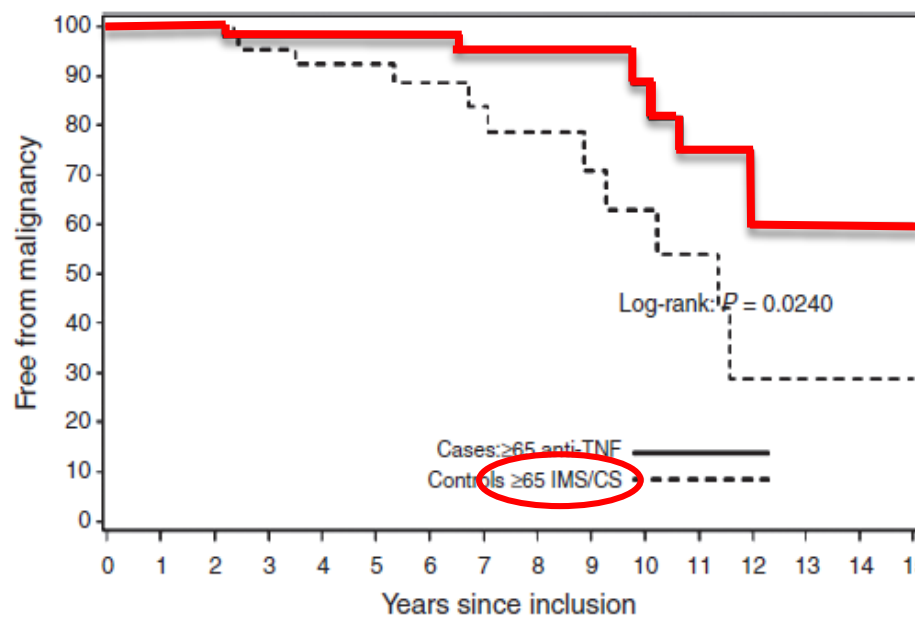
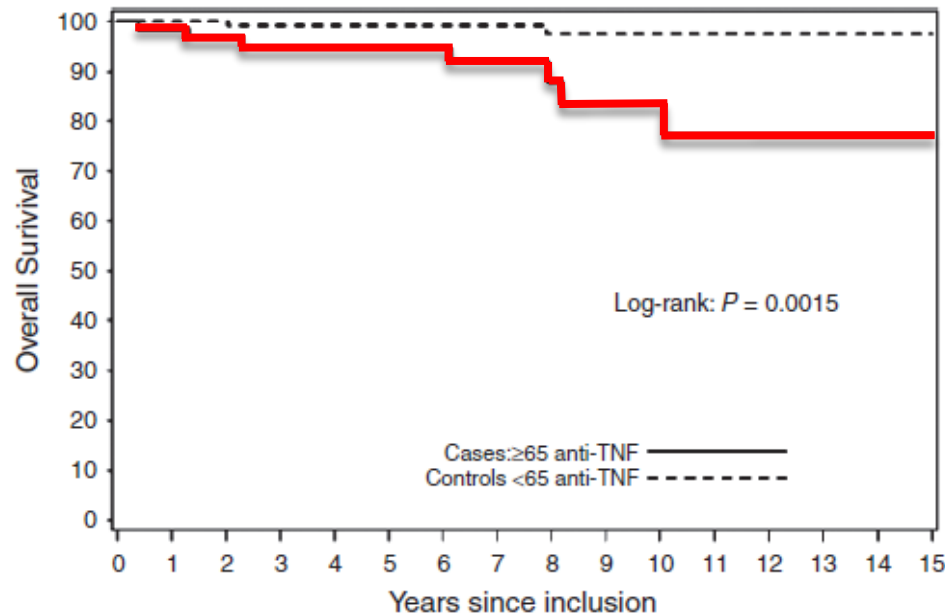
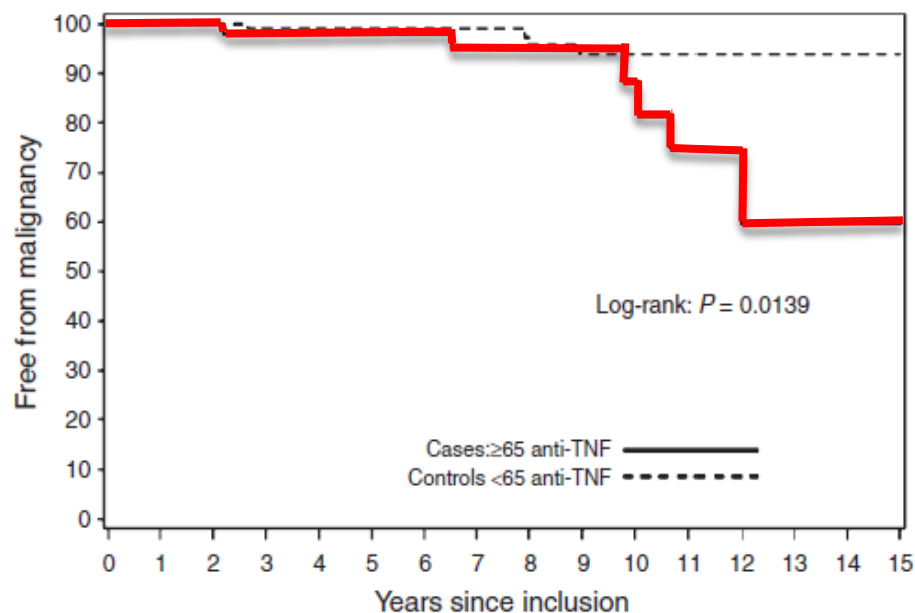
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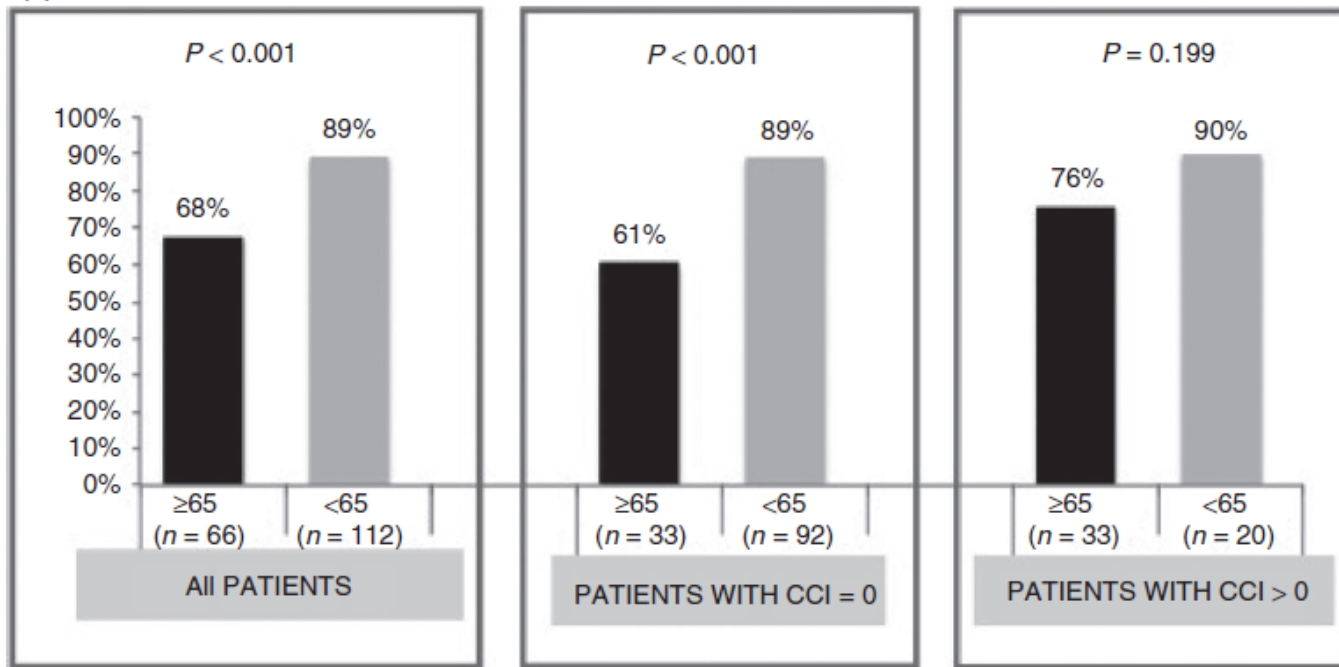


	95 elderly patients treated with biologics		190 adult matched controls treated with biologics		190 elderly controls not treated with biologics	
	UC	CD	UC	CD	UC	CD
<b>Pts n°</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>Male/female</b>	<b>20/17</b>	<b>35/23</b>	<b>40/34</b>	<b>70/46</b>	<b>40/34</b>	<b>70/46</b>
<b>Mean age(range)</b>	<b>71 (65-81)</b>	<b>71(65-84)</b>	<b>38(17-64)</b>	<b>39(16-64)</b>	<b>71(65-81)</b>	<b>70(65-80)</b>
<b>Remission n° (%)</b>	<b>22 (59.5)</b>	<b>38 (65.5)</b>	<b>42(56.7)</b>	<b>68 (58.6)</b>	-	-
<b>Maintenance n° (%)</b>	<b>12 (32.4)</b>	<b>39 (67.2)</b>	<b>24 (32.4)</b>	<b>78 (67.2)</b>	-	-
<b>Comorbidity n° (%)</b>	<b>35 (94.5)</b>	<b>44 (75.8)</b>	<b>4 (5.4)</b>	<b>6 (5.1)</b>	<b>37 (50)</b>	<b>46(39.6)</b>
<b>Deaths (n°)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Severe infections (n°)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cancer (n°)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Steroids (n°)</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>104</b>
<b>antiTNF+AZA/MTX n° (%)</b>	<b>7 (19)</b>	<b>15 (26)</b>	<b>17 (23)</b>	<b>32 (28)</b>	-	-

*safety issues*

**Malignancy and mortality during the follow up in IBD cases:  $\geq 65$  yrs anti TNF as compared with controls**






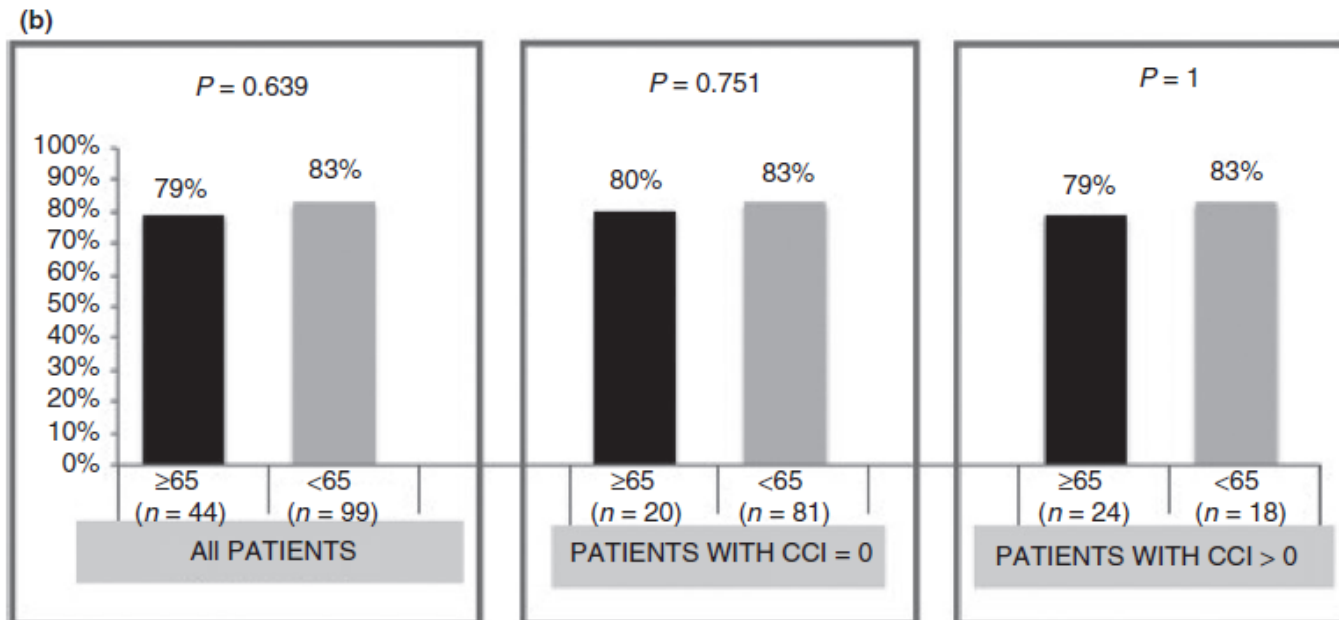
## Efficacy of anti-TNF therapy


Clinical response at short term (10 weeks)

&

Clinical response at long term (≥ 6 months)

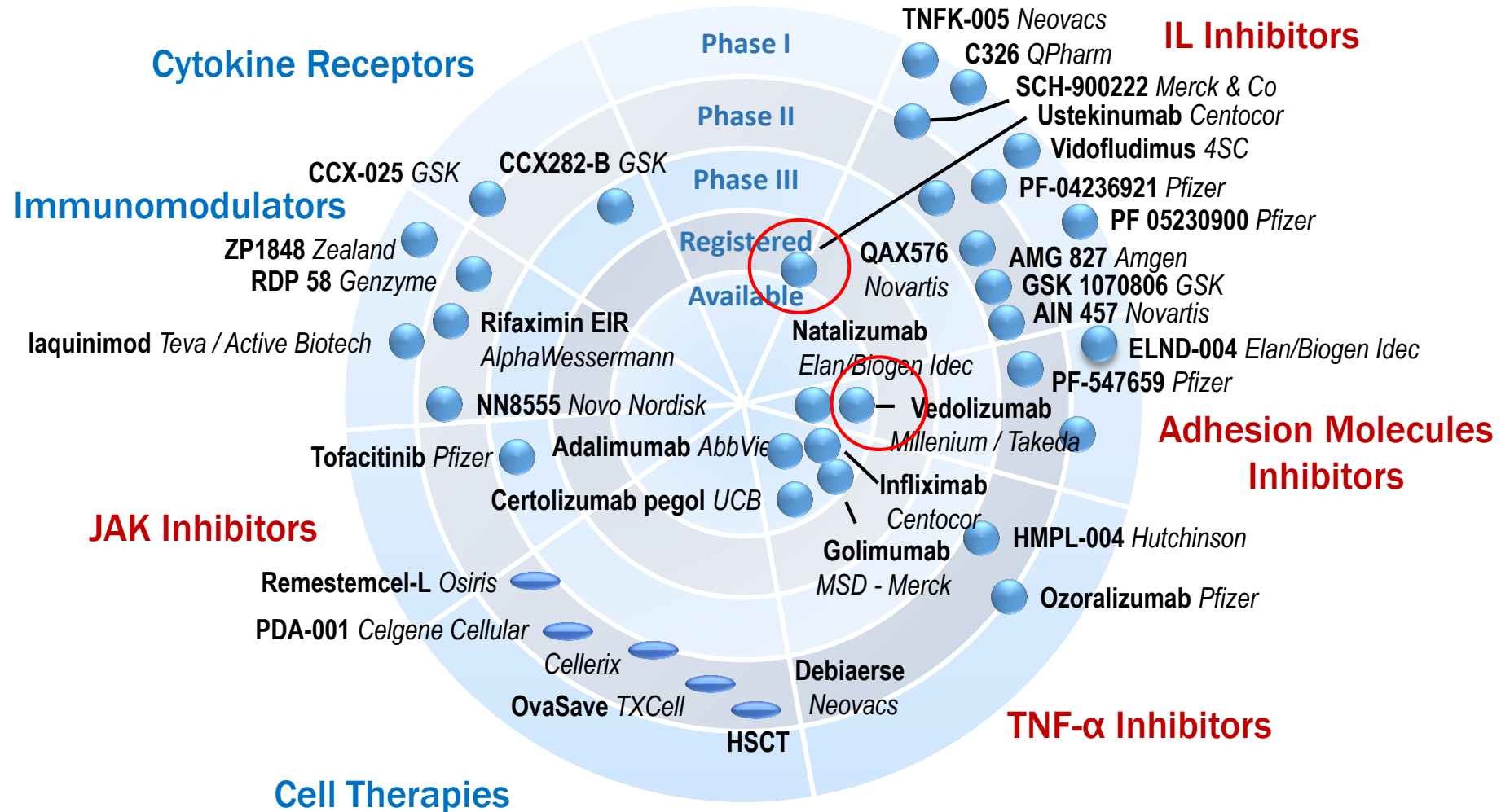
  
 Elderly (cases)  
 ≥ 65 years

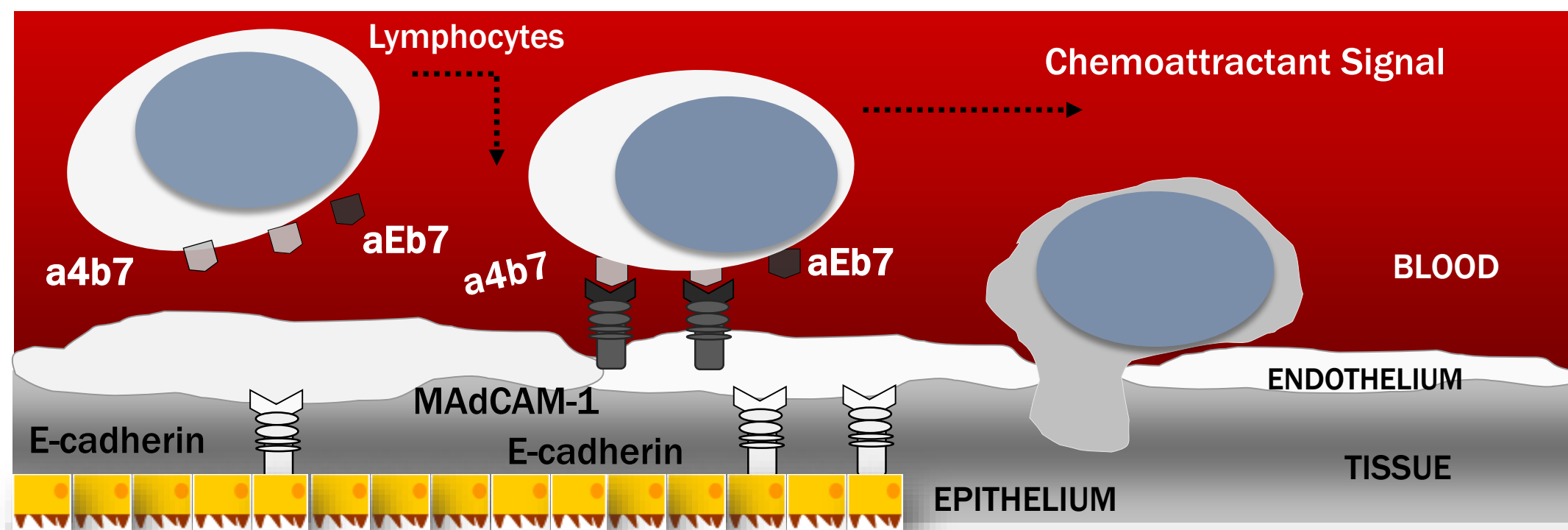


  
 Young (control 1)  
 < 65 years



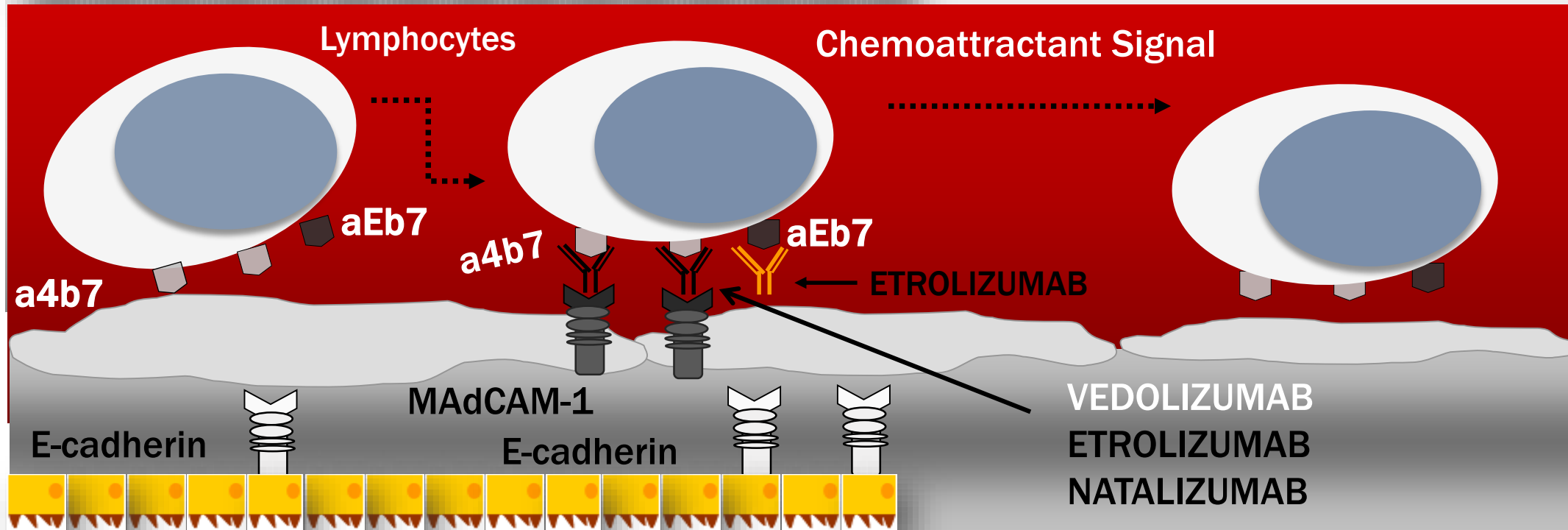
# Therapeutic Galaxy in IBD





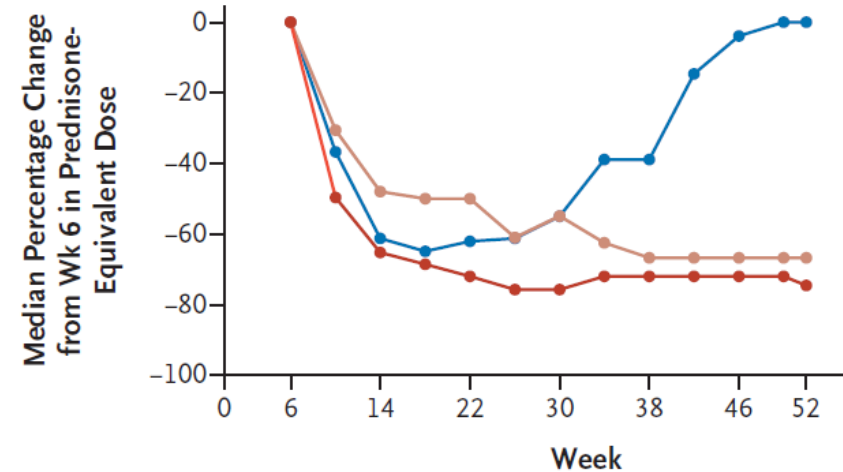
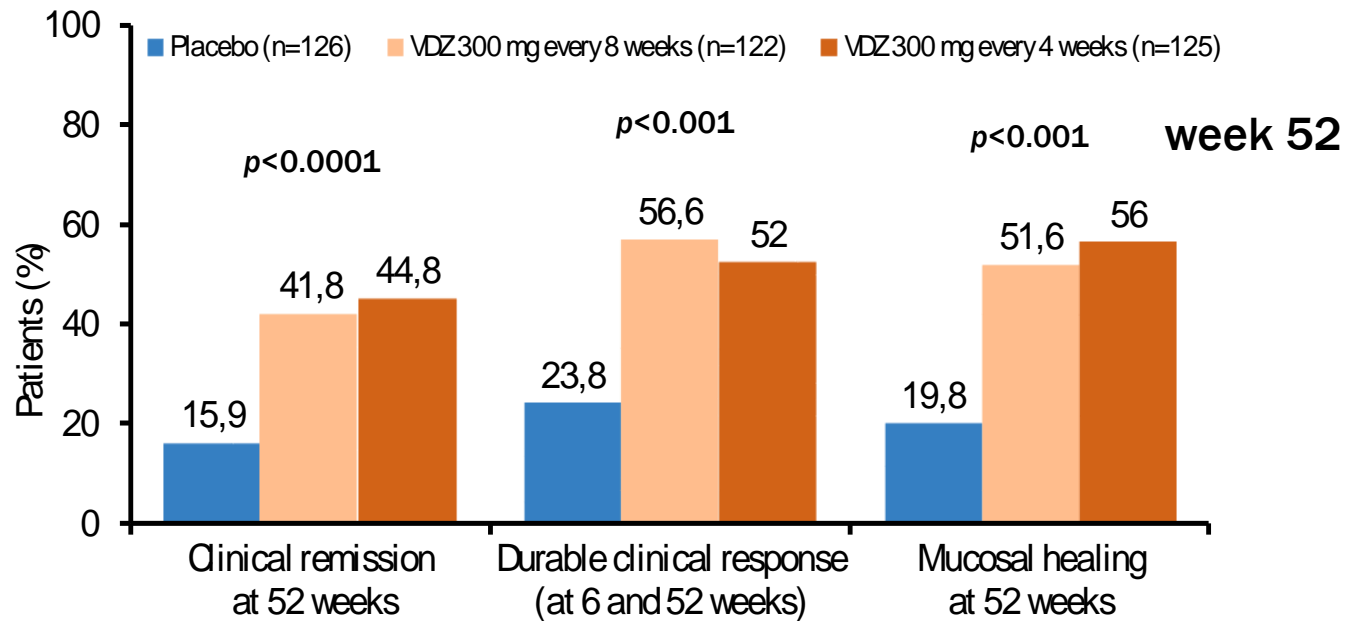
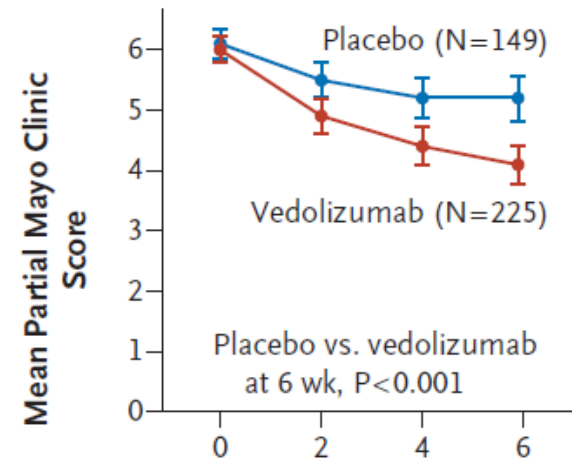
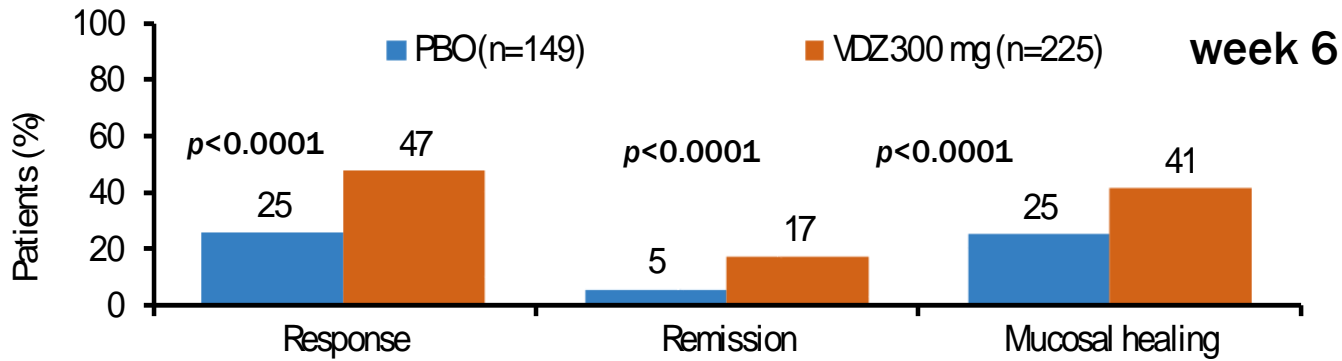
**anti-adhesion therapies**

Lymphocytes  
Migration  
and retention of  
T cells in Gut  
mucosal tissue

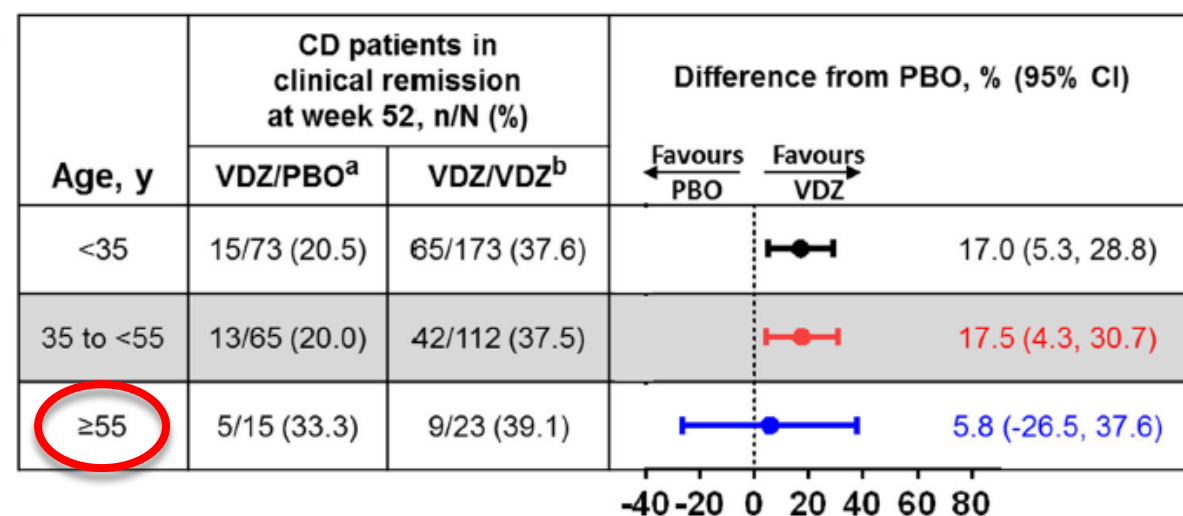
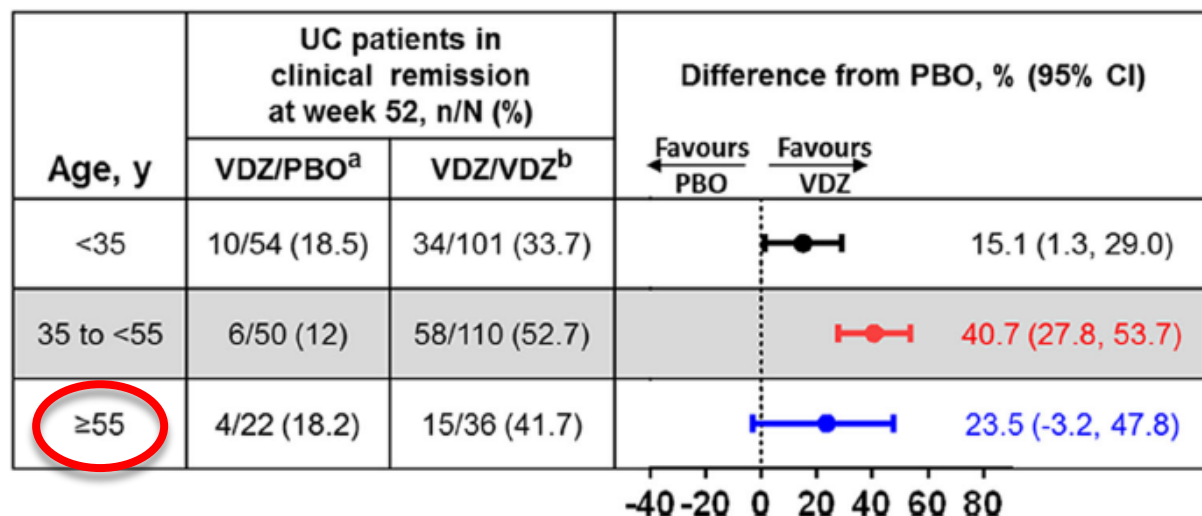
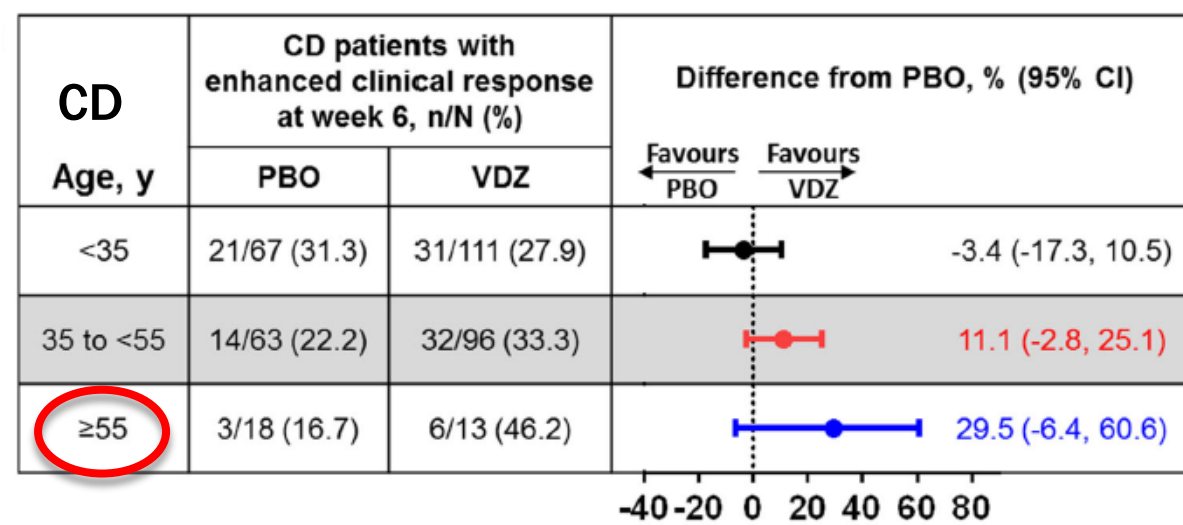
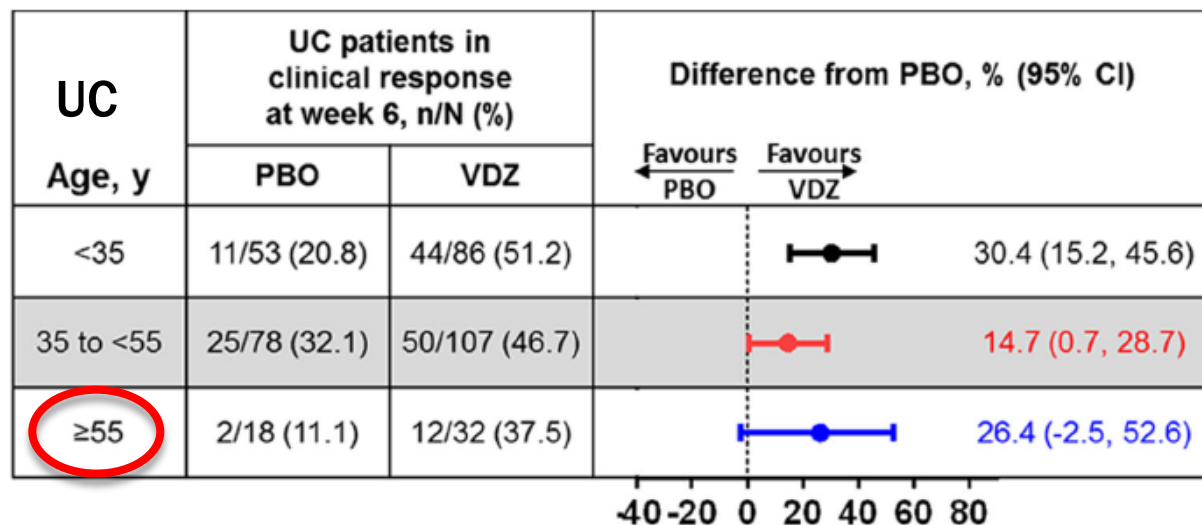


Reduced  
Lymphocyte  
Migration  
&  
Inhibition of  
Homing of  
Lymphocytes  
to the Gut

# Vedolizumab induction and remission in moderate to severe UC- GEMINI I



# Efficacy of Vedolizumab in UC and CD patients stratified by age: from the GEMINI trials



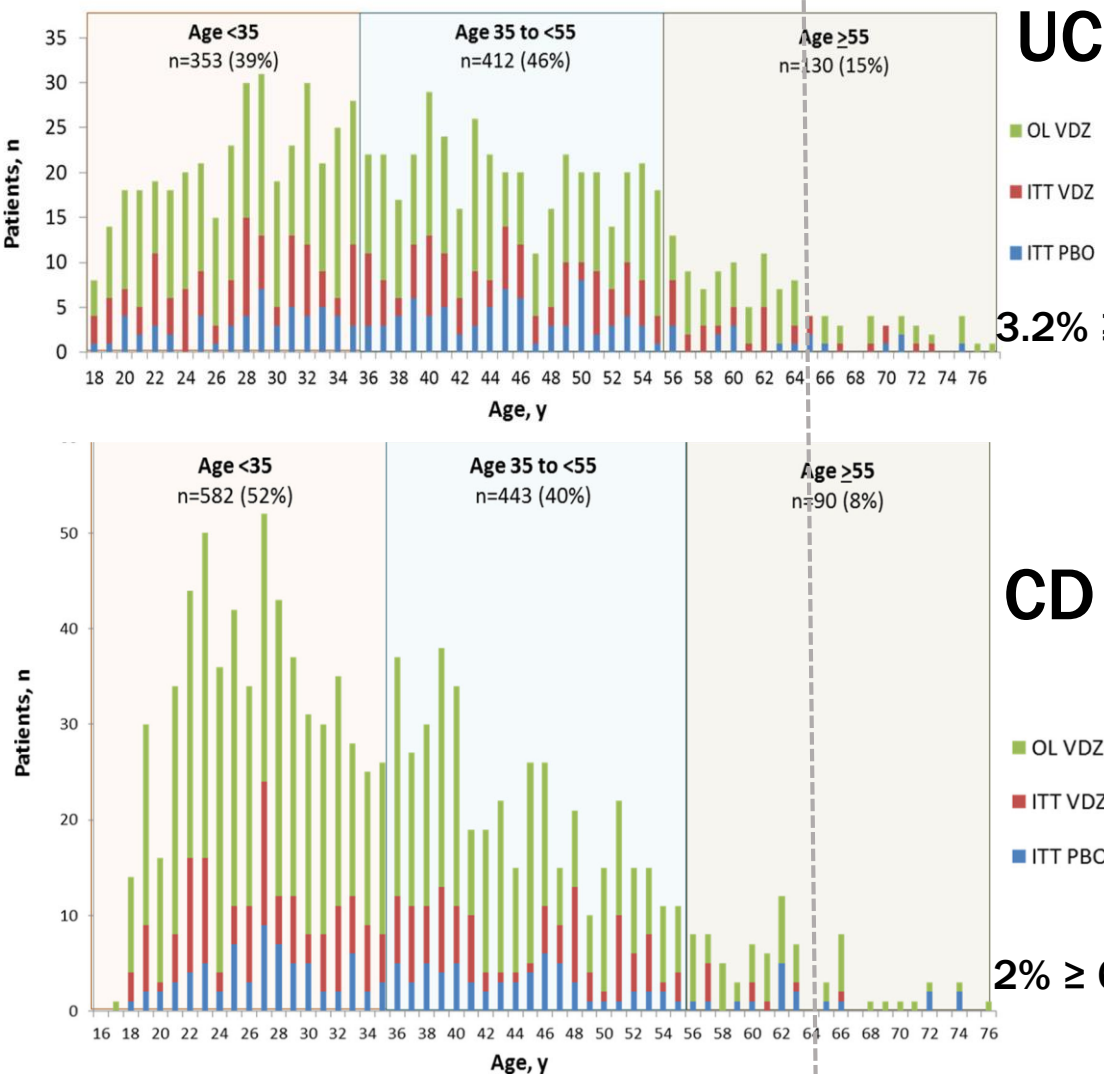
# Adverse events by age < 65 years and ≥ 65 years

UC

3.2% ≥ 65 yrs

CD

2% ≥ 65 yrs

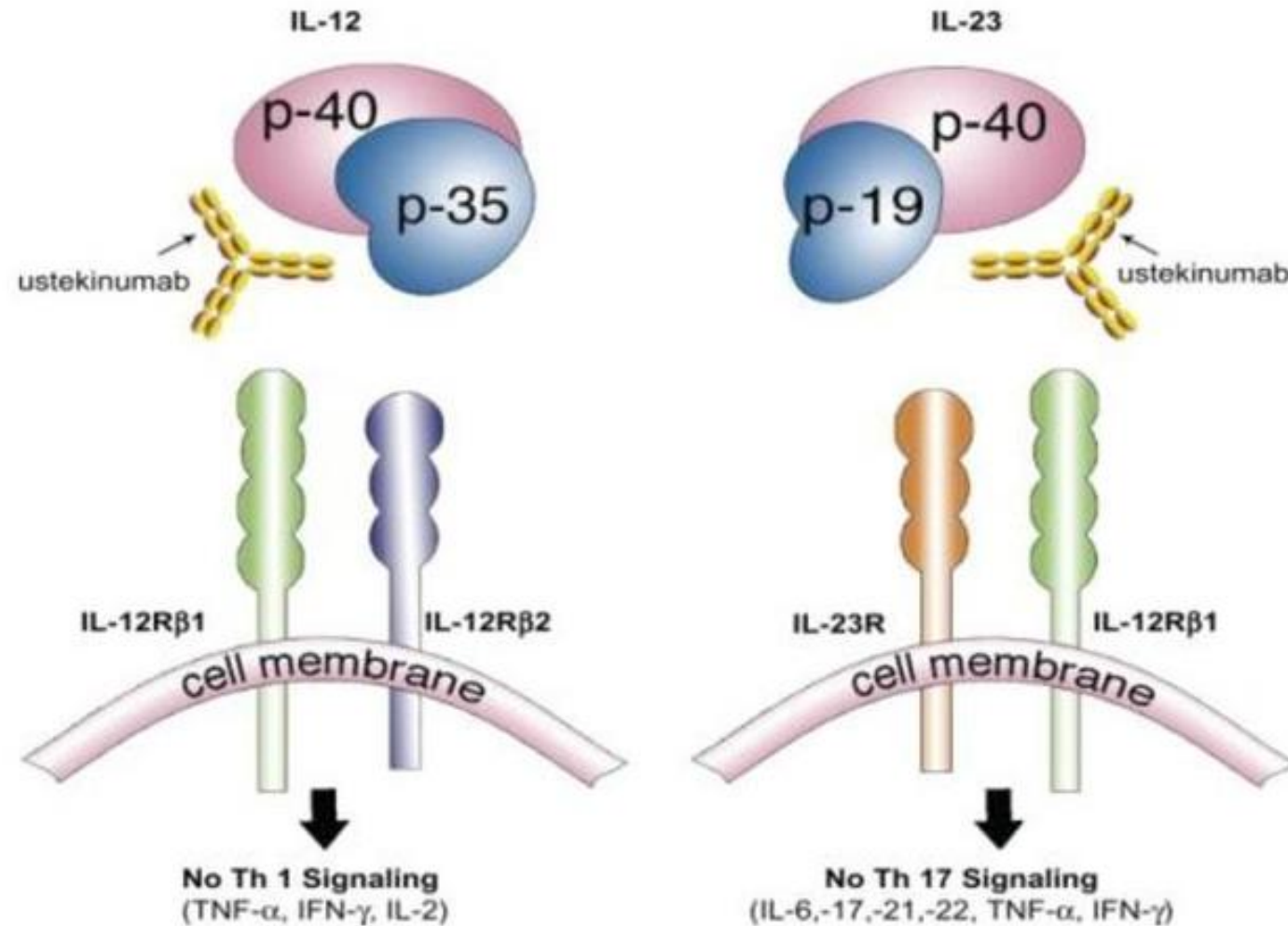


Adverse event <sup>a</sup>	Patients, n (%)			
	Age <65 years		Age ≥65 years	
	PBO/PBO <sup>b</sup> (n = 284)	VDZ/VDZ <sup>c</sup> (n = 1400)	PBO/PBO <sup>b</sup> (n = 13)	VDZ/VDZ <sup>c</sup> (n = 34)
Nasopharyngitis	19 (7)	177 (13)	2 (15)	3 (9)
Headache	28 (10)	171 (12)	4 (31)	6 (18)
Crohn's disease	33 (12)	161 (12)	3 (23)	3 (9)
Arthralgia	26 (9)	158 (11)	3 (23)	8 (24)
Pyrexia	21 (7)	127 (9)	1 (8)	0
Nausea	22 (8)	126 (9)	1 (8)	2 (6)
Dizziness	7 (2)	45 (3)	1 (8)	3 (9)
Edema peripheral	9 (3)	35 (3)	3 (23)	3 (9)

PBO, placebo; VDZ, vedolizumab.  
<sup>a</sup>Only adverse events occurring in ≥9% of vedolizumab-treated patients in any group are listed.  
<sup>b</sup>Patients received PBO during induction and maintenance periods.  
<sup>c</sup>Patients received VDZ during induction and maintenance periods.

from the Gemini 1 and 2 trials

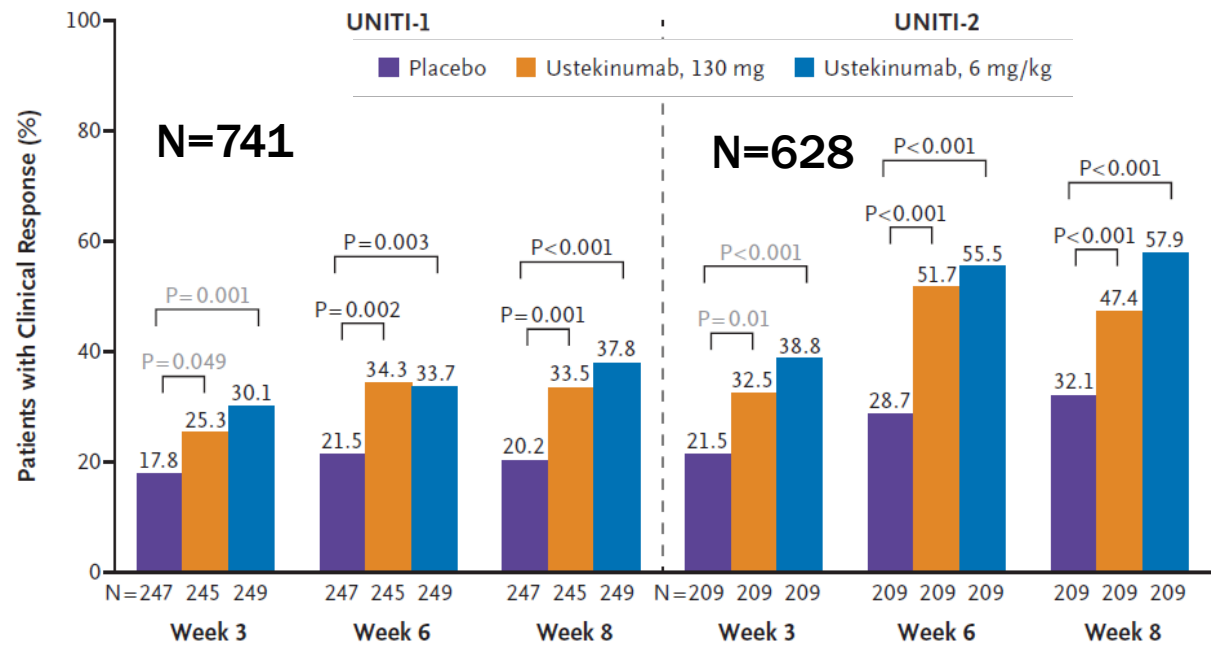
# IL-12 and IL-23 pro-inflammatory cytokines **sharing** **p40** subunit



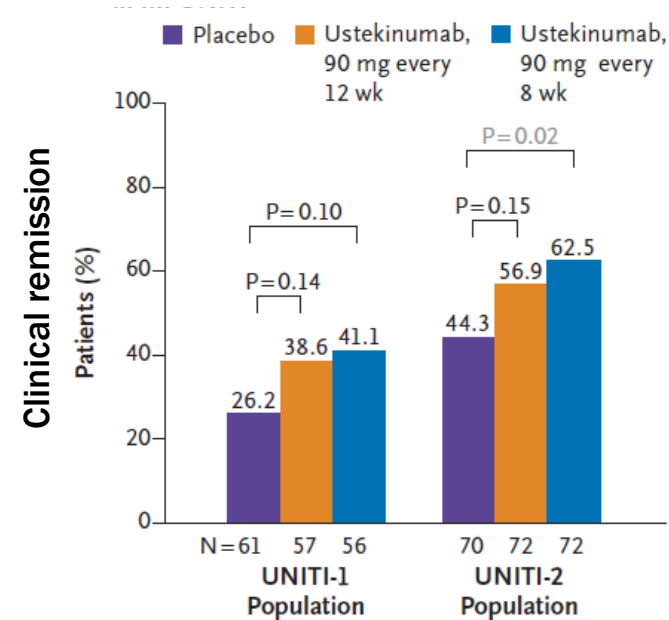
**Ustekinumab**



8 weeks



44 weeks

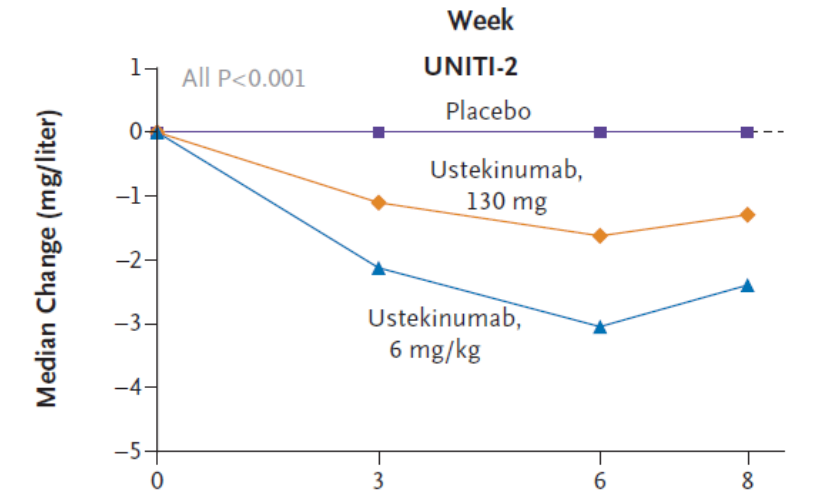
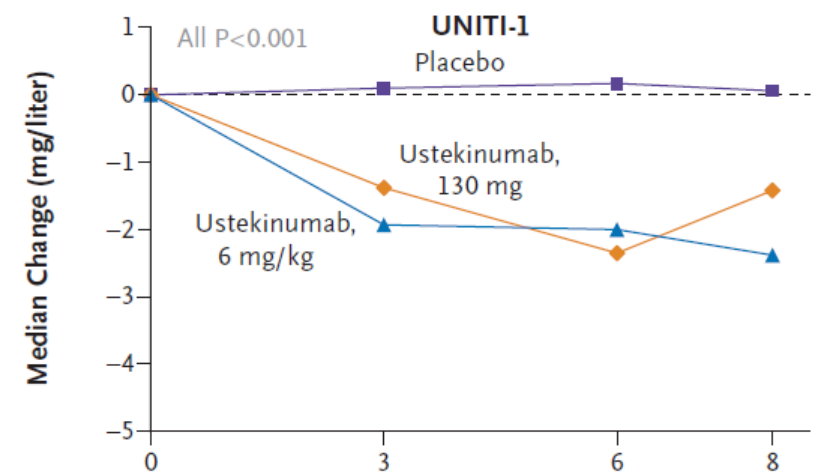


i.v. Ustekinumab induces response and remission in patients with moderately to severely active CD refractory to anti-TNF or conventional therapy.

s.c. Ustekinumab maintained remission in patients who had clinical response to induction therapy.

# Ustekinumab for Crohn's Disease

Change in C-Reactive Protein from Baseline



**TNF inhibitors**  
**IFX, ADA, GOLIMUMAB**  
**UC & CD**

Fast onset  
Loss of response in 1/3 of cases  
Very effective on EIM  
Increased risk of severe infection in elderly IBD

Infusion related reactions (iv), opportunistic infections, melanoma, NMSC, demyelination disorders, psoriasis, aggravation of heart failure\*  
Rarely, non infectious hepatitis & reduced blood cells count  
Increased risk of severe infection in elderly IBD

Chest X-ray, TB skin tests, IFN-γ release assay (Quantiferon), HBV testing  
Inactivated trivalent influenza vaccine, Pneumococcal vaccine (PCV 13)  
Cardiological and neurological evaluation

**Integrin inhibitors**  
**Vedolizumab**  
**UC & CD**

Delayed therapeutic effect  
Persistent efficacy  
Moderately effective on EIM  
Suitable for UC patients at risk of infections as first line

Nasopharyngitis  
Infusion related reactions, psoriasis (uncommon)  
Favorable safety profile  
Limited data in the elderly

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**Anti IL12 -IL 23 mab**  
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when making  
management decisions  
in the elderly IBD

“ageism” should be  
avoided

focus on functional  
status and  
comorbidities

avoid emergent  
surgeries

more frequent clinical  
assessment

## Safety Issues

Greater mortality risk  
for severe disease  
Higher post operative  
mortality

Infections & related  
serious complications  
more common

High risk of SAE and  
worse outcome with  
continued steroid use

## Management optimization

Rapid decision-making

Fast onset therapy in  
acute severe disease

In severe disease overcome  
the limited evidence on  
drugs and choose the  
treatment as in adult IBD

Avoid drugs association  
Safety screening better at  
diagnosis

